



Spire

Methley Park Hospital

Methley Park Patient

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Keeping patients up to date with news, events and trends shaping our hospital



"Don't miss out" Campaign hopes to stop fall in screening numbers Cervical Cancer Prevention Week runs through January

The number of women attending potentially life-saving smear tests has hit a 20-year-low in the UK, according to NHS figures. Now cancer charity Jo's Cervical Cancer Trust is hoping to increase awareness with a SmearForSmear campaign, encouraging women who have taken their test to picture themselves on social media with part of their make-up smeared across their face. It will run throughout Cervical Cancer Prevention Week from January 20 to 26 with the charity hoping that one woman's post might just provide encouragement to other women and remind them of the importance of being screened.

At Spire Methley Park Hospital Consultant Gynaecologist Mr Sandeep Sharma said: "The single biggest risk factor for developing cervical cancer is not being regularly screened. It is a preventable disease. The signs that it may develop can be often be spotted early and it can be treated before it even fully starts." "While around 750 women each year die from cervical cancer in the UK, it appears that nearly one-and-a-half-million women a year are missing out on their tests."

Women aged 25 to 49 are invited to attend cervical screening, or smear tests, every three years; those aged 50 to 64 are invited every five years. The screening can detect abnormal (pre-cancerous) cells in the cervix in order to prevent cervical cancer.

Mr Sharma said: "It is important to get the message across that cervical screening is not a test for cancer, but instead allows for detection of abnormalities at an early stage. "The routine of attending a cervical screening should be an important part of every woman's health regime but for many women this message just isn't getting through. Early detection is key to increasing survival rates so educating everyone about the disease, its symptoms and ways to prevent it is very important.



To find out more about cervical smear tests at Spire Methley Park Hospital call 01977 664245

Cosmetic Surgery Open Evening

Are you thinking about having cosmetic surgery?

If so, come along to our free cosmetic surgery open evening on Wednesday 19 February 2020 starting at 7pm with Mr Rhodes, one of our Consultant plastic surgeons at Spire Methley Park Hospital



Mr Rhodes will cover topics including breast, body and facial surgery. Mr Rhodes will give a presentation showing some before and after pictures and give a brief explanation of the procedures that he performs.

You will also be invited to have a five minute, mini consultation with Mr Rhodes. Afterwards you'll have the chance to speak to our dedicated nursing team, and take home literature on the procedures and treatments.

*Mini consultations are an opportunity to ask any questions or concerns you may have and are not a formal outpatient consultation. If you wish to proceed to surgery, a full outpatient consultation will be required.

To book a place call Megan on 01977 664266

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